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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated December 3, 2002, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 18, 30, 32 and 33.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 3 months to and including June 3, 2003 is enclosed.

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